

## COMMITTEE REPORT.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, March 14, 1895.

Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Counties and County Boundaries, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 239, being a bill to be entitled "An act to create the county of Autrey out of a part of Brazoria and Fort Bend counties, and to provide for its organization and attachments for congressional, senatorial, representative and judicial purposes,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed by a majority of the committee to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

GREER, Chairman.

Senator Boren gave notice of filing a minority report on the above bill.

Pending action on the motion to reconsider,

On motion of Senator McComb, Senate adjourned till tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

## FIFTY-FIFTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,  
Austin, Texas, March 15, 1895.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Lieutenant Governor Jester in the chair.

Roll called. Quorum present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Agnew.	Lewis.
Atlee.	McComb.
Bailey.	McKinney.
Beall.	Presler.
Boren.	Rogers.
Bowser.	Shelburne.
Colquitt.	Sherrill.
Dean.	Simpson.
Dibrell.	Smith.
Dickson.	Stafford.
Gage.	Steele.
Goss.	Tips.
Greer.	Whitaker.
Harrison.	Woods.
Lawhon.	

Absent, not excused.

Darwin.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Dr. Smoot.

Pending reading of the Journal of yesterday,

On motion of Senator Whitaker, the same was suspended.

On motion of Senator Beall, Senator Darwin was excused for today on account of important business.

On motion of Senator Atlee, Senator Lawhon was excused after today until the 21st instant.

## PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Senator Lawhon:

Memorial from citizens and taxpayers of Brazoria county, protesting against the passage of the bill now pending authorizing Brazoria county to issue \$16,500 bonds in excess of the statutory limit.

Read and referred to the Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, March 14, 1895.

Hon. George T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred

House bill No. 413, being a bill to be entitled "An act to amend chapter 51, section 1, section 2, section 33, section 53 and section 54 of acts of the Twenty-third Legislature, entitled 'An act to create a more efficient road system in the counties of Cherokee, Houston, Anderson, Trinity, Franklin, Delta, Harrison, Pa-uola, Upshur, Shelby and Smith, and auxiliary thereto,' etc.,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

STEELE, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, March 14, 1895.

Hon. George T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 178, being a bill to be entitled "An act to repeal an act entitled 'An act to provide for the payment of fees to county judges and justices of the peace, sheriffs, constables, district and county attorneys and district clerks for services rendered in certain felony cases,' relating to fees in examining trials, approved March 3, 1883,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

AGNEW, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, March 14, 1895.

Hon. George T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 194, being a bill to be entitled "An act to define building and loan associations and their powers and to prescribe the conditions on which they may do business in this State, and to define and fix the rights and liabilities of their stockholders, and to repeal all laws in conflict with the provisions of this bill,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

AGNEW, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, March 15, 1895.

Hon. George T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Mining and Irrigation, to whom was referred

House bill No. 549, being a bill to be entitled "An act to provide for the construction and maintenance of ditches, drains and water courses, and for the improvement and enlargement of natural drainage of the several counties within the State of Texas,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it be substituted for Senate bill No. 201, and that it do pass, and that said substitute bill be not printed.

GAGE, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, March 15, 1895.

Hon. George T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 212, being "An act to amend article 4190 of chapter 8, title 84, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, relating to the manner of serving citations in cases of condemnation of right of way by railway companies,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.

COLQUITT, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, March 15, 1895.

Hon. George T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 184, being "An act to amend section 1, chapter 106, acts of Twenty-second Legislature, as approved 13th day of April, 1891, entitled 'An act to amend section 1, of chapter 79 of an act passed at the regular session of the Twenty-first Legislature, approved April 4, 1889, entitled an act to authorize counties to fund their indebtedness and to provide means to pay same,'"

And find the same correctly engrossed.

BAILEY, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, March 15, 1895.

Hon. George T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 226, being "An act to authorize the commissioners court of Brazoria county, in the State of Texas, to order an election in and for said county to determine whether the road bonds of said county to the amount of \$16,500, shall be issued, to provide for holding said elections, to authorize said court to issue same in the event said election results favorably thereto, and to authorize said court to levy a tax not to exceed 15 cents on the \$100 valuation of taxable property in said county to pay the interest on and create a sinking fund for the redemption

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of said bonds, and to repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.

BAILEY, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, March 14, 1895.

Hon. George T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 211, being "An act to authorize and empower the Houston and Texas Central Railway Company to acquire, control and operate, upon such terms as may be agreed upon by the parties, by lease or purchase, and by consolidating with and merging into its own the railroads and all the corporate rights, franchises and privileges and property of the Central Texas and Northwestern Railroad Company, the Fort Worth and New Orleans Railway Company, the Austin and Northwestern Railroad Company and the Granite Mountain and Marble Falls City Railroad Company, each respectively; and to authorize and empower each and all of said last named companies to lease or sell or consolidate with and merge into said Houston and Texas Central Railroad Company their respective railroads and all their respective corporate rights, franchises, privileges and property, and providing for the forfeiture and reversion of certain right of way and depot grounds within the corporate limits of the city of Waxahachie,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.

BAILEY, Chairman.

## HOUSE MESSAGE.

House of Representatives,  
Austin, Texas, March 15, 1895.

Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of the Senate:

I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills, to wit:

House bill No. 271, "An act to provide for the levy and collection of an annual ad valorem State school tax of twenty cents on the one hundred dollars' valuation, for the maintenance of the public free schools."

Passed by two-thirds vote—Ayes 89, nays 7.

House bill No. 25, "An act to amend article 3201 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas."

House bill No. 51, "An act creating a lien in favor of farm laborers for wages, upon crops cultivated, worked, planted or gathered by them; and to repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith."

House bill No. 357, "An act declaring public roads and highways that have heretofore been laid out, established and used for the period of more than ten years in the county of Liberty, public roads."

Senate bill No. 166, "An act to amend section No. 1 of an act entitled 'An act

to amend section 46, chapter 25, of the acts of 1885, entitled an act to amend chapter 79 of the acts of 1883, entitled an act to amend chapter 48 of the acts of 1887, an act to amend section 46 of an act to encourage stockraising and protect stockraisers,' approved April 22, 1879, and amended April 12, 1880, April 4, 1881, March 27, 1887, March 28, 1889, March 23, 1891, April 15, 1891, and March 29, 1893, so as to exempt Wilson county from the operation of the stock inspection law."

With House amendments.

Senate bill No. 111, "An act to amend section 1 of an act passed at a regular session of the Twenty-third Legislature of Texas, approved April 19, 1893, amending section 1 of an act passed by the Twenty-third Legislature of Texas, reorganizing the Fifteenth Judicial District, and defining the time for holding the courts in said Fifteenth Judicial District, and add section 1a."

Also, that the House has passed the following resolutions:

House joint resolution No. 18, "To amend section 4 of article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas."

Passed by two-thirds vote—Ayes 100, nays 5.

House concurrent resolution No. 24:

Whereas, Hon. D. E. Barrett, judge of the Sixteenth judicial district of the State of Texas, has found it necessary to go out of the State to recover his health; therefore,

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas, That the said Hon. D. E. Barrett be and he is hereby granted a leave of absence from the State of Texas for a period of thirty days during the year 1895.

Respectfully,

CHESTER, HAILE, Chief Clerk.

#### BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Senator Goss:

A bill to be entitled "An act to create the Lubbock land district."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Public Lands.

By Senator Boren:

A bill to be entitled "An act to amend section 53 of an act to provide for a more efficient system of public free schools for the State of Texas, passed by the Twenty-third Legislature and approved May 20, 1893."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Education.

By Senator Goss:

A bill to be entitled "An act to attach Gray county to Roberts county for judicial purposes."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Judicial Districts.

By Senator Bowser:

A bill to be entitled "An act to amend the city charter of Dallas."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Towns and City Corporations.

Call concluded.

On motion of Senator Boren,

Senate bill No. 239, being a bill to be entitled "An act to create the county of Autrey out of a part of Brazoria and Fort Bend counties, and to provide for its organization and attachments for congressional, senatorial, representative and judicial purposes,"

Was recommitted to Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

#### IN SENATE.

House bill No. 549, being "An act to provide for the construction and maintenance of ditches, drains and water courses, and for the improvement and enlargement of natural drainage of the several counties of the State of Texas."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Mining and Irrigation.

#### SPECIAL ORDER.

The Chair laid before the Senate,

Senate bill No. 11, being "An act to regulate assignments for the benefit of creditors, to declare what acts shall operate as such assignments and to prescribe rules for administering the same, and to provide penalties for the violation of this act, and to repeal an act entitled 'An act in relation to assignments for the benefit of creditors; to regulate the same and proceedings thereunder,' approved March 24, 1879, and to repeal an act entitled 'An act to amend sections 3, 6 and 10 of an act in relation to assignments for the benefit of creditors and to regulate the same and proceedings thereunder,' approved March 24, 1879, approved April 7, 1883, and to repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith."

Action on final passage.

Senator Dibrell moved to postpone indefinitely.

Postponed by the following vote:

Yeas—14.

Atlee.	McComb.
Bowser.	Presler.
Colquitt.	Rogers.
Dean.	Shelburne.
Dibrell.	Simpson.
Greer.	Smith.
Lawhon.	Stafford.

Nays—13.

Agnew.	Lewis.
Beall.	McKinney.
Boren.	Sherrill.
Dickson.	Tips.
Gage.	Whitaker.
Goss.	Woods.
Harrison.	

Paired.

Yea.	Nay.
Bailey.	Darwin.

Absent, not excused.

Steele.

Mr. President: I vote aye on the motion to postpone indefinitely, for the reason that the majority of my constituents have petitioned me to vote against the passage of the bill.

GREER.

Mr. President: Having supported this bill when it passed to engrossment, I deem it due myself to state the reasons which moved me to support this measure, the effect of which is to kill the bill. Prior to the vote on engrossment this bill had attracted, so far as I am informed, no special attention among my constituents. I therefore voted my views on the merits of this bill. Since that time, from numerous expressions that I have received from my constituency, I am constrained to believe that this legislation is not acceptable to them. I have received no expression from my district favorable to this measure. From my own town I have received a petition against it, signed by about the entire business and mercantile community. In fact, about the only commendation of the measure from the commercial class who are principally and primarily affected has been from some lone drummer, representing a foreign commercial house. I believe that in a representative government legislators ought to be controlled by the views and wishes of their constituents whenever it is practicable to ascertain them, and especially in instances like the present, where there appears to be no considerable division of sentiment. I still believe the purpose of this bill is a good one, in that it seeks to prevent preferences among the creditors of an insolvent and failing debtor, and to place all creditors of such a debtor upon an equal footing, but in this connection it is to be noticed that for some reason few other States of this Union have so far seen fit to enforce the above principle of commercial morals by so framing their statutory law as to effectually prohibit such preferences, and while their wholesale merchants and jobbers selling goods in Texas seem to regard this bill as a good thing, they do not appear equally solicitous to have their legislatures enact similar laws. It appears to be one of those good things that is good for some one else. When radical changes are to be made in important and fundamental laws, the effect of which is to disturb existing conditions and to affect vast interests, it is proper to consider not only the questions of abstract right involved, but those of expediency as well.

## PRESLER.

The Chair laid before the Senate Senate bill No. 230, being a bill to be entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to regulate the establishment of quarantine in the State of Texas, and in the counties, cities and towns thereof, and to repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith.'"

Bill read second time.

Senator Tips moved to table the bill subject to call.

Carried.

## BILLS ON THIRD READING.

The Chair laid before the Senate Senate bill No. 51, being "An act to amend articles 798 and 799 of chapter 18, title 17, of the Penal Code of the State of Texas."

Bill read third time and passed.

On motion of Senator Sherrill, regular order of business was suspended to take up

Senate bill No. 212, being a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 4190, chapter 8, title 84, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, relating to the condemnation of right of way by railway companies."

Bill read second time and ordered engrossed.

Senator Dickson called up Senator Greer's motion to reconsider the vote by which

Senate bill No. 217, being a bill to be entitled "An act to provide for the support and maintenance of a school of dentistry of the Medical Department of the University of Texas," was lost.

Senator Simpson moved to table the motion to reconsider.

Lost by the following vote:

Yeas—11.

Beall.	Simpson.
Colquitt.	Smith.
McKinney.	Stafford.
Presler.	Tips.
Rogers.	Whitaker.
Sherrill.	

Nays—17.

Agnew.	Goss.
Atlee.	Greer.
Bailey.	Harrison.
Boren.	Lawhon.
Bowser.	Lewis.
Dean.	McComb.
Dibrell.	Shelburne.
Dickson.	Woods.
Gage.	

Absent, excused.

Darwin.

Absent, not excused.

Steele.

The motion to reconsider then prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—18.

Agnew.	Gage.
Atlee.	Goss.
Bailey.	Greer.
Boren.	Harrison.
Bowser.	Lawhon.
Colquitt.	Lewis.
Dean.	Presler.
Dibrell.	Shelburne.
Dickson.	Woods.

Nays—11.

Beall.	Smith.
McComb.	Stafford.
McKinney.	Steele.
Rogers.	Tips.
Sherrill.	Whitaker.
Simpson.	

Absent—excused.

Darwin.

Senator Smith moved to recommit the bill to Committee on Finance.

Lost by the following vote:

Yeas—11.

Beall.	Sherrill.
Lewis.	Smith.

McComb.	Stafford.
McKinney.	Steele.
Presler.	Whitaker.
Rogers.	

Nays—17.

Agnew.	Goss.
Atlee.	Greer.
Boren.	Harrison.
Bowser.	Lawhon.
Colquitt.	Shelburne.
Dean.	Simpson.
Dibrell.	Tips.
Dickson.	Woods.
Gage.	

Absent, excused.

Darwin.

Absent—not excused.

Bailey.

Senator Smith moved to postpone further consideration indefinitely.

Lost by the following vote:

Yeas—10.

Beall.	Smith.
McComb.	Stafford.
McKinney.	Steele.
Rogers.	Tips.
Sherrill.	Whitaker.

Nays—18.

Agnew.	Goss.
Atlee.	Greer.
Boren.	Harrison.
Bowser.	Lawhon.
Colquitt.	Lewis.
Dean.	Presler.
Dibrell.	Shelburne.
Dickson.	Simpson.
Gage.	Woods.

Absent, excused.

Darwin.

Absent, not excused.

Bailey.

The bill then passed by the following vote:

Yeas—19.

Agnew.	Goss.
Atlee.	Greer.
Bailey.	Harrison.
Boren.	Lawhon.
Bowser.	Lewis.
Colquitt.	Presler.
Dean.	Shelburne.
Dibrell.	Smith.
Dickson.	Woods.
Gage.	

Nays—10.

Beall.	Simpson.
McComb.	Stafford.
McKinney.	Steele.
Rogers.	Tips.
Sherrill.	Whitaker.

Absent, excused.

Darwin.

Senator Smith moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill passed.

Senator Dean moved to table the motion to reconsider.

Senator Smith moved a call of the Senate, which was duly seconded and ordered, the following Senators answering their names:

Agnew.	Lawhon.
Atlee.	Lewis.
Bailey.	McComb.
Beall.	McKinney.
Boren.	Presler.
Bowser.	Shelburne.
Colquitt.	Sherrill.
Dean.	Simpson.
Dibrell.	Smith.
Dickson.	Stafford.
Gage.	Steele.
Goss.	Tips.
Greer.	Whitaker.
Harrison.	Woods.

Absent—excused.

Darwin.

Absent—not excused.

Rogers.

Senator Dean moved to excuse the absentee. Pending call, Senator Rogers was announced.

Action being taken on the motion to table the motion to reconsider, the same was tabled by the following vote:

Yeas—18.

Agnew.	Goss.
Atlee.	Greer.
Bailey.	Harrison.
Boren.	Lawhon.
Colquitt.	Lewis.
Dean.	Presler.
Dibrell.	Shelburne.
Dickson.	Simpson.
Gage.	Woods.

Nays—10.

Beall.	Smith.
Bowser.	Stafford.
McComb.	Steele.
McKinney.	Tips.
Rogers.	Whitaker.

Present, not voting.

Sherrill.

Absent, excused.

Darwin.

The Chair laid before the Senate, Senate bill No. 54, being a bill to be entitled "An act to amend articles 488 and 489 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, and to add to said Code articles 489a, 489b, 489c, 489d, 489e, 489f, 489g, providing for the attachment of witnesses in criminal cases, and for the payment of the witnesses in felony cases."

Bill read third time.

By Senator Simpson:

Amend bill by striking out the words "article 489g" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "section 2," and to conform the caption thereto.

Adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Atlee.	McComb.
Bailey.	Presler.
Beall.	Rogers.
Dean.	Shelburne.
Dibrell.	Simpson.
Dickson.	Smith.
Gage.	Stafford.
Greer.	Tips.
Lawhon.	Whitaker.
Lewis.	Woods.

## Nays—4.

Agnew.	Harrison.
Goss.	Steele.
Present, not voting.	
Bowser.	Sherrill.
Colquitt.	
Absent, excused.	
Darwin.	
Absent, not excused.	
Boren.	McKinney.

(President Pro Tem Lewis in the chair.)  
Bill failed on final passage by the following vote:

## Yeas—10.

Atlee.	Lewis.
Dibrell.	Shelburne.
Dickson.	Simpson.
Gage.	Smith.
Lawhon.	Woods.

## Nays—11.

Agnew.	Presler.
Beall.	Rogers.
Bowser.	Stafford.
Colquitt.	Steele.
Goss.	Tips.
Harrison.	

## Paired.

Yea.	Nay.
Whitaker.	Sherrill.
Absent, excused.	

Darwin.	
Absent, not excused.	
Bailey.	Greer.
Boren.	McComb.
Dean.	McKinney.

The Chair laid before the Senate, Senate bill No. 77, being "An act to amend sections 4, 5, 6 and 16 of an act entitled 'An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy in the State of Texas, and providing a penalty for the enforcement of the same,' approved April 6, 1889."

Bill read third time.

Pending action,

Senator Lawhon entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which the following amendment to Senate bill No. 78 (appropriation bill) was adopted, to wit:

By Senator Dibrell:

Amend by striking out all in lines 26, 27 and 28.

Senator Steele entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which the following amendment to Senate bill No. 78 (appropriation bill) was adopted, to wit:

By Senator Smith:

Amend line 29, page 2, by striking out all in said line, and insert in lieu thereof the following: 'Salary of one first assistant clerk;' and strike out "\$2500" wherever it occurs and insert in lieu thereof "\$1250."

Senator Atlee called up

Senate bill No. 166, entitled "An act to amend section No. 1 of an act entitled an act to amend section 46, chapter 25, of the acts of 1885, entitled an act to amend chapter 79 of the acts of 1883, entitled an act to amend chapter 48 of the acts of 1887, an act to amend section

46 of an act to encourage stockraising and protect stockraisers, approved April 22, 1879, and amended April 12, 1880, April 4, 1881, March 27, 1887, March 29, 1889, March 23, 1891, April 15, 1891, and March 29, 1893, so as to exempt Wilson county from the operation of the stock inspection law."

With House amendments, and moved that the Senate refuse to concur in said amendments, and that a free conference committee be appointed.

Carried.

On motion of Senator Beall, regular order of business was suspended to take up

Senate bill No. 211, being a bill to be entitled "An act to authorize and empower the Houston and Texas Central Railroad Company to acquire, control and operate upon such terms as may be agreed upon by the parties, by lease or by purchase, and by consolidating with and merging into its own the railroads and all the corporate rights, franchises and privileges and property of the Central Texas and Northwestern Railway Company, the Fort Worth and New Orleans Railway Company, the Austin and Northwestern Railroad Company, and the Granite Mountain and Marble Falls City Railroad Company, each respectively; and to authorize and empower each and all of said last named companies to lease or sell or consolidate with and merge into said Houston and Texas Central Railroad Company their respective railroads and all their respective rights, franchises, privileges and property."

Bill read third time and passed.

Senator Goss moved to suspend regular order of business to take up

Senate bill No. 184, being a bill to be entitled "An act to amend section 1, chapter 106, acts of Twenty-second Legislature as approved 13th day of April, 1891, entitled 'An act to amend section 1 of chapter 79 of an act passed at the regular session of the Twenty-first Legislature, approved April 4, 1889, entitled an act to authorize counties to fund their indebtedness and to provide means to pay same.'"

Carried by the following vote:

## Yeas—19.

Agnew.	Lawhon.
Atlee.	Lewis.
Beall.	McComb.
Colquitt.	McKinney.
Dean.	Rogers.
Dickson.	Sherrill.
Gage.	Steele.
Goss.	Tips.
Greer.	Whitaker.
Harrison.	Woods.

## Nays—4.

Dibrell.	Simpson.
Shelburne.	Smith.

Absent, excused.

Darwin.	
Absent—not excused.	

Bailey.	Presler.
Boren.	Stafford.
Bowser.	

Bill read third time.

By Senator Simpson:

Amend by striking out the word "six" in line 5, section 1, and insert "five" in lieu thereof.

Lost.

The bill then passed.

On motion of Senator Dickson, regular order of business was suspended to take up

Senate bill No. 143, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend section 66, chapter 122, of an act to provide for a more efficient system of public free schools, etc., passed at the regular session of the Twenty-third Legislature, approved May 20, 1893, and cancelling certain certificates,"

By the following vote:

Yeas—14.

Beall.	Harrison.
Colquitt.	Lawhon.
Dean.	Lewis.
Dibrell.	Rogers.
Dickson.	Sherrill.
Gage.	Steele.
Goss.	Whitaker.
Greer.	

Nays—6.

Agnew.	Smith.
McKinney.	Tips.
Simpson.	Woods.

Absent—excused.

Darwin.

Absent—not excused.

Atlee.	McComb.
Bailey.	Presler.
Boren.	Shelburne.
Bowser.	Stafford.

Pending action,

Senator Simpson entered a motion to reconsider the vote passing

Senate bill No. 184, being a bill to be entitled "An act to amend section 1, chapter 106, acts of the Twenty-second Legislature, as approved 13th day of April, 1891, entitled 'An act to amend section 1 of chapter 79 of an act passed at the regular session of the Twenty-first Legislature, approved April 4, 1889, entitled an act to authorize counties to fund their indebtedness and to provide means to pay same.'"

The Chair announced the following free conference committee on the part of the Senate to consider the difference of the two houses on Senate bill 166: Senators Lawhon, Atlee, Dibrell, Gage and Goss.

On motion of Senator Rogers Senate bill No. 142 was made special order for Tuesday next after call.

Senator Rogers entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which

Senate bill No. 54, being "An act to amend articles 488 and 489 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, and to add to said Code articles 489a, 489b, 489c, 489d, 489e, 489f, 489g, providing for the attachment of witnesses in criminal cases, and for the payment of the expenses of witnesses in felony cases," was lost.

Senator Whitaker moved to adjourn to 3 p. m. today.

Senator Dean moved to adjourn to 10 a. m. Monday.

Adjourned to 10 a. m. Monday by the following vote:

Yeas—16.

Atlee.	Harrison.
Bailey.	Lawhon.
Beall.	Lewis.
Bowser.	McComb.
Dean.	Shelburne.
Dickson.	Sherrill.
Goss.	Simpson.
Greer.	Tips.

Nays—10.

Agnew.	Rogers.
Colquitt.	Smith.
Dibrell.	Steele.
Gage.	Whitaker.
McKinney.	Woods.

Absent—excused.

Darwin.

Absent, not excused.

Boren.	Stafford.
Presler.	

## FIFTY-SIXTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,  
Austin, Texas, March 18, 1895.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.  
Lieutenant Governor Jester in the chair.

Roll called. Quorum present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Agnew.	Harrison.
Atlee.	Lewis.
Bailey.	McComb.
Beall.	Presler.
Bowser.	Rogers.
Colquitt.	Shelburne.
Darwin.	Sherrill.
Dean.	Simpson.
Dibrell.	Smith.
Dickson.	Steele.
Gage.	Tips.
Goss.	Whitaker.
Greer.	Woods.

Absent, not excused.

Lawhon.

Absent, not excused.

Boren.	Stafford.
McKinney.	

Prayer by the Chaplain, Dr. Smoot.

Pending reading of the Journal of Friday,

On motion of Senator Goss, the same was suspended.

On motion of Senator Woods, Senator McKinney was excused for today on account of important business.

On motion of Senator Dickson, Senator Boren was excused for today on account of important business.